

PROCLAMATION HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 16-22, 2008

WHEREAS, each night, there are homeless North Dakotans in need of shelter and services, and there are a greater number of hidden homeless who have not sought out or received assistance through existing agencies; and

WHEREAS, homeless individuals and families lack fixed, regular and adequate residence; live in a shelter, transitional living facility or a place not designated for living accommodations; or are at risk of being displaced from their residence; and

WHEREAS, the North Dakota Coalition for Homeless People and service providers throughout the state are working to provide homeless North Dakotans with affordable housing, medical care, food, transportation, day care services, education and job skills development; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota citizens and organizations, including schools, churches and governments, are encouraged to help address homelessness and become involved in community programs that provide solutions in meeting the physical, social, economic and educational needs of the homeless.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim November 16-22, 2008, HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK in the state of North Dakota.

John Hoeven

Governor

ATTEST:

Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State